

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1901 - SB 1863

February 21, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (013995):** Deletes the State Board of Education's (SBE) emergency rules on the issuance of temporary permits and endorsement exemptions. Authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Education (DOE) to issue certain temporary permits and endorsement exemptions for individuals to teach in the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school year. Requires DOE to report to the Education Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the number of endorsement exemptions and temporary permits issued at the end of the 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24 school years.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Public Chapter 326 (2021) authorized the Commissioner of DOE to issue an endorsement exemption to a teacher in accordance with SBE rules or a temporary permit to a person to teach any course or subject area (except for special education courses) for the 2021-2022 school year.
- The proposed legislation extends the ability of the Commissioner of DOE to issue temporary teaching permits and endorsement exemptions through the 2023-24 school year. The Office of Educator Licensure within DOE will be able to continue processing temporary teaching permits and endorsement exemptions within existing resources and without modification of the TN Compass Licensure system. Any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- SBE will be able to amend its policies during the normal course of business.
- No impact to local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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